

Worley, Wesley C -FS

From: Cipriano, Chiara - FS
Sent: Thursday, August 30, 2018 1:02 PM
To: FS-pdl r6 willamette all
Cc: Velez, Jennifer; Robinson, Tammy T -FS; Isaacson, Darrah - FS; Baker, Stephen - FS; nwccmedia@gmail.com; Weaver, Traci - FS
Subject: Closures Extended for Terwilliger Fire
Attachments: 180830 Closures extended for Terwilliger Fire.pdf; Forest Order 06-18-01-18-19.pdf

Closures extended for Terwilliger Fire

Blue River, OR (Aug. 30, 2018) – Fire officials are extending the area closure for the Terwilliger Fire for public and firefighter safety. A combination of very high fire danger, dry conditions, hazards, and fire behavior warrants the extended closure. The new area closure extends the closure of Forest Service Road 19 (Aufederheide Scenic Highway) south to Box Canyon and includes Red Diamond, Frissell Crossing, and Roaring River campgrounds as well as Box Canyon Horse Camp and Guard Station, along with trails and trailheads within the extended closure.

"Public and employee safety and security are foremost on our minds," said Forest Supervisor Tracy Beck. "This extended closure will help crews implement strategies and tactics where and when they can be safe and successful."

The new closure allows for safe access and work by firefighters and reflects the significant hazards wildland firefighters and equipment are encountering. Snags and other hazard trees are falling on the road. On Sunday, August 26, a rockslide covered the road, and rolling debris created obstructions that slowed the crews' ability to respond and engage.

Conditions are still conducive to new ignitions and rapid spread of fire even with the cooler temperatures and the small amount moisture we had had earlier this week. Campfires are currently banned forest-wide, including in developed campgrounds and wilderness areas. Smoking is not allowed, except within an enclosed vehicle or building or in a developed recreation site. Visitors are reminded to never dispose of smoking materials on the ground, in bark mulch or in dry vegetation; make sure butts and ashes are completely extinguished by using water or sand.

The Pacific Northwest is currently experiencing a very challenging fire year due to both the number and size of active fires and the current shortage of firefighting resources (like crews, aircraft, and supplies) to meet this high demand. Please, obey all fire restrictions and encourage others to do the same; no one should set the spark that becomes a wildfire. Visitors can call 9-1-1 to report a fire or suspicious activity.

Closed Areas: From Hwy 126, the area closure begins where Forest Service Road (FSR) 19 intersects with FSR 1900-408 and continues south to Box Canyon. All roads, trails and campgrounds that fall within the closure area are closed. The closure does not include Oregon State Highway 126. For a map of the closure area visit <http://go.usa.gov/xRnz7> .

Closed Campgrounds:

- Cougar Crossing Campground
- Box Canyon Horse Camp
- French Pete Campground
- Frissell Crossing Campground
- Hard Rock Campground
- Red Diamond Campground
- Roaring River Campground
- Slide Creek Campground
- Sunnyside Campground

Closed Recreation Sites:

- Box Canyon Guard Station
- Echo Day Use and Boat Launch
- Indian Ridge Lookout
- Rebel Rock Lookout
- Terwilliger Hot Springs

Closed Trails/Trailheads:

- Bear Flat Trail #3301
- Echo Trailhead
- French Pete Trail #3311
- French Pete Trailhead
- Olallie Mountain Trail #4100
- East Fork Trail #3308
- Lower East Fork/Lower Echo Trailhead
- Upper East Fork Trailhead
- Indian Ridge Trail #3315
- Indian Ridge North (Upper) Trailhead
- Indian Ridge South (Lower) Trailhead
- Lowder Mountain Trail #3329
- Lowder Mountain Trailhead
- Upper Lowder Mountain Trailhead
- O'Leary / Castle Rock Trailhead
- Ollalie South Trailhead
- Quaking Aspen Trail #3332
- Rebel Creek Trail #3323
- Rebel Rock Trail #3324
- Rebel Trailhead
- Rider Creek Trail #3319
- Roaring Ridge Trailhead North
- Roaring Ridge Trailhead South
- Walker Creek Trail #3330

Sources below are available to stay up-to-date on the Terwilliger Fire and current fire restrictions.

- Closure area map and details: <https://go.usa.gov/xUzQC>
- Terwilliger Fire information line: 541-719-8135
- InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6160>
- Fire information and current fire restrictions: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/willamette/fire>

For updates and information, visit our website at www.fs.usda.gov/willamette, and follow us on Twitter and Facebook @willamettenf.

#

The Pacific Northwest Region (Region 6) of the US Forest Service contains 17 National Forests, two National Scenic Areas, a National Grassland, and two National Volcanic Monuments, all within the States of Oregon and Washington. These

national forests provide timber for people, forage for cattle and wildlife, habitat for fish, plants, and animals, and some of the finest recreation lands in the country.



Chiara Cipriano
Public Affairs Specialist

Forest Service
Willamette National Forest

p: 541-225-6298

c: 541-731-4427

ccipriano@fs.fed.us

3106 Pierce Parkway, Suite D
Springfield, OR 97477

www.fs.usda.gov/willamette



Caring for the land and serving people



Forest Service

Willamette National Forest
3106 Pierce Parkway Suite D
Springfield, OR 97477
541-225-6300
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/willamette>



News Release

Media Contact: Chiara Cipriano
Phone: 541-731-4427
Email: ccipriano@fs.fed.us

Closures extended for Terwilliger Fire

Blue River, OR (Aug. 30, 2018) – Fire officials are extending the area closure for the Terwilliger Fire for public and firefighter safety. A combination of very high fire danger, dry conditions, hazards, and fire behavior warrants the extended closure. The new area closure extends the closure of Forest Service Road 19 (Aufederheide Scenic Highway) south to Box Canyon and includes Red Diamond, Frissell Crossing, and Roaring River campgrounds as well as Box Canyon Horse Camp and Guard Station, along with trails and trailheads within the extended closure.

"Public and employee safety and security are foremost on our minds," said Forest Supervisor Tracy Beck. "This extended closure will help crews implement strategies and tactics where and when they can be safe and successful."

The new closure allows for safe access and work by firefighters and reflects the significant hazards wildland firefighters and equipment are encountering. Snags and other hazard trees are falling on the road. On Sunday, August 26, a rockslide covered the road, and rolling debris created obstructions that slowed the crews' ability to respond and engage.

Conditions are still conducive to new ignitions and rapid spread of fire even with the cooler temperatures and the small amount moisture we had had earlier this week. Campfires are currently banned forest-wide, including in developed campgrounds and wilderness areas. Smoking is not allowed, except within an enclosed vehicle or building or in a developed recreation site. Visitors are reminded to never dispose of smoking materials on the ground, in bark mulch or in dry vegetation; make sure butts and ashes are completely extinguished by using water or sand.



The Pacific Northwest is currently experiencing a very challenging fire year due to both the number and size of active fires and the current shortage of firefighting resources (like crews, aircraft, and supplies) to meet this high demand. Please, obey all fire restrictions and encourage others to do the same; no one should set the spark that becomes a wildfire. Visitors can call 9-1-1 to report a fire or suspicious activity.

Closed Areas: From Hwy 126, the area closure begins where Forest Service Road (FSR) 19 intersects with FSR 1900-408 and continues south to Box Canyon. All roads, trails and campgrounds that fall within the closure area are closed. The closure does not include Oregon State Highway 126. For a map of the closure area visit <http://go.usa.gov/xRnz7>.

Closed Campgrounds:

- Cougar Crossing Campground
- Box Canyon Horse Camp
- French Pete Campground
- Frissell Crossing Campground
- Hard Rock Campground
- Red Diamond Campground
- Roaring River Campground
- Slide Creek Campground
- Sunnyside Campground

Closed Recreation Sites:

- Box Canyon Guard Station
- Echo Day Use and Boat Launch
- Indian Ridge Lookout
- Rebel Rock Lookout
- Terwilliger Hot Springs

Closed Trails/Trailheads:

- Bear Flat Trail #3301
- Echo Trailhead
- French Pete Trail #3311
- French Pete Trailhead
- Olallie Mountain Trail #4100
- East Fork Trail #3308
- Lower East Fork/Lower Echo Trailhead
- Upper East Fork Trailhead



- Indian Ridge Trail #3315
- Indian Ridge North (Upper) Trailhead
- Indian Ridge South (Lower) Trailhead
- Lowder Mountain Trail #3329
- Lowder Mountain Trailhead
- Upper Lowder Mountain Trailhead
- O'Leary / Castle Rock Trailhead
- Ollalie South Trailhead
- Quaking Aspen Trail #3332
- Rebel Creek Trail #3323
- Rebel Rock Trail #3324
- Rebel Trailhead
- Rider Creek Trail #3319
- Roaring Ridge Trailhead North
- Roaring Ridge Trailhead South
- Walker Creek Trail #3330

Sources below are available to stay up-to-date on the Terwilliger Fire and current fire restrictions.

- Closure area map and details: <https://go.usa.gov/xUzQC>
- Terwilliger Fire information line: 541-719-8135
- InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwccg.gov/incident/6160>
- Fire information and current fire restrictions: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/willamette/fire>

For updates and information, visit our website at www.fs.usda.gov/willamette, and follow us on Twitter and Facebook @willamettenf.

#

The Pacific Northwest Region (Region 6) of the US Forest Service contains 17 National Forests, two National Scenic Areas, a National Grassland, and two National Volcanic Monuments, all within the States of Oregon and Washington. These national forests provide timber for people, forage for cattle and wildlife, habitat for fish, plants, and animals, and some of the finest recreation lands in the country.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
WILLAMETTE NATIONAL FOREST
MCKENZIE BRIDGE, OREGON

ORDER # 06-18-01-18-19

FOREST ORDER
OCCUPANCY AND USE

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), and to provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited in the areas described in this order within the administrative boundaries of the Willamette National Forest. This Order is effective on August 30, 2018 and shall be in effect until rescinded or December 1, 2018.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Entering into or being upon National Forest System lands closed for the protection of public health or safety. 36 CFR § 261.53(e)
2. Being on the road. 36 CFR § 261.54(e)
3. Being on a trail. 36 CFR § 261.55(a)

TERWILLIGER FIRE CLOSURE AREA DESCRIPTION:

All areas affected by this closure are located within Lane County, Oregon. In Range 4E Township 16S-Township 19S and Range 05E, Townships T16S-T19S.

The closure includes all US Forest Service lands, roads and trails within the boundary described below and as depicted on the attached map and incorporated into this order as "Attachment A".

Moving in a counter clockwise direction, the north western boundary starts directly south of Oregon State Highway 126 from and including, Forest Service Road 2618 (Quartz Creek Road) to its southwest boundary at the intersection with Forest Service Road 1927. The southern boundary includes Forest Service Road 1927 past Grasshopper Trailhead to its intersection with Forest Service Road 19 (Aufderheide Drive). The closure continues south on Forest Service Road 19 to Friessell Crossing Campground and east on 1900-441 to Olallie South Trailhead. The closure follows, but does not include Olallie South Trail #3529 north until its intersection with Forest Service Road 1993. The closure then follows and includes Forest Service Road 1993 back across the reservoir until it rejoins with Forest Service Road 19. Forest Service Road 1900-408 is closed. In addition to this area closure, Forest Service Road 1900-410 is also closed. Forest Service Road 19 is closed from its intersection with Forest Service Road 1900-408 south to, and including Box Canyon. The closure does not include Oregon State Highway 126.

Campground Closures:

- Hard Rock Campground
- French Pete Campground
- Cougar Crossing Campground
- Sunnyside Campground
- Slide Creek Campground
- Red Diamond Campground
- Frissell Crossing Campground
- Roaring River Campground
- Box Canyon Horse Camp

Closed Trails:

- French Pete Trail #3311
- Bear Flat Trail #3301
- Quaking Aspen Trail #3332
- Lowder Mountain Trail #3329
- Olallie Mountain Trail #4100
- Walker Creek Trail #3330
- East Fork Trail #3308
- Indian Ridge Trail #3315
- Rider Creek Trail #3319
- Rebel Creek Trail #3323
- Rebel Rock Trail #3324
- French Pete Trailhead
- Upper Lowder Mountain Trailhead
- Upper East Fork Trailhead
- Lower East Fork/Lower Echo Trailhead
- Echo Trailhead
- O'Leary / Castle Rock Trailhead
- Lowder Mountain Trailhead
- Indian Ridge North (Upper) Trailhead
- Indian Ridge South (Lower) Trailhead
- Rebel Trailhead
- Ollalie South Trailhead
- Roaring Ridge Trailhead North
- Roaring Ridge Trailhead South

Closed Recreation Sites:

- Indian Ridge Lookout
- Terwilliger Hot Springs
- Echo Day Use and Boat Launch
- Rebel Rock Lookout
- Box Canyon Guard Station

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

ORDER # 06-18-01-18-19

- (1) Any person with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission;
- (2) Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- (3) Owners or lessees of land in the area.

These restrictions are implemented for the safety of the public, and fire suppression personnel.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

This order supersedes Forest Order # 06-18-01-18-17, executed August 21, 2018.

Executed in Springfield, Oregon, on this 30th day of August, 2018.



Tracy Beck
Forest Supervisor
Willamette National Forest

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for a corporation or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. Title 16 USC Section 551.

